









The Aerie

"Where the Eagle Nests"

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Stoner Retire



Loretta Kidd when she graduated from DWHS in 1964.



Lauren Stoner (kindergarten) and Loretta Kidd at the Retirement Potluck sponsored by the DeLand-Weldon Education Association. Both ladies received balloons, gifts, and flowers. Many faculty and staff members joined in the cafeteria to wish them well.



Miss Loretta Kidd

Loretta has been involved in education for 37 years. She taught English at Mt. Pulaski High School for 14 years and taught one year at White Heath. For 22 years she has been District Librarian and English teacher at DWHS, and has also directed plays.

Faculty & Staff at Work & Play



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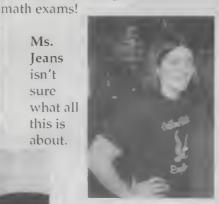


Coffee makes Mrs.



Ms. **Jeans** isn't sure what all this is about.

Mr. Waddell needs to take a break from grading all those



Senora Cruickshank dons her hat for Rent-a-Friend Day. Olé.



Mr. Roy Waltrip Mr. Waltrip came in second semester to take Mr. Arenas's place when he was deployed



Mrs. Shilawski is always ready to lend a helping hand to students and faculty alike. That's what counselors do!



Mr. Cunningham poses with senior Tonya Yokley at the 2004 Prom.

High School Faculty



P. Amdor Math



G. Arenas Computers



K. Bragg P.E., Health, Drivers' Ed.



D. Cruickshank Spanish



B. Cunningham Social Science, P.E.



R. DeJaynes English, Drama, Speech



D. Eatock Biology, English



K. Jeans Physics, Chemistry, General Science



V. Molitor Art



S. Schilawski Psychology, Sociolgy, Guidance



S. Schlesinger Band, Chorus



K. Tate English



M. Tatum Home Ec, Science



R. Waddell Math



M. Willis Work Study

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Bonfire 2003

As always, the 2003 Bonfire was a great success. Many students and their dates enjoyed the evening of food, jokes, and laughs. Like always, safety was a priority!





Mrs. Shilawski keeps an eye on things.



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Before the blaze started.





















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Directions: Stage Left.

"All the world's a stage..."

Drama Club Members: (front row) Mr. DeJaynes, Advisor; Jennifer Deem, Alycia Arnold, Tonya Yokley, Samantha Oakley. (second row) Matt Mutty, Chris Day, Jon Thomas, Brandon Rost, Ashley Arnold. (third row) Kendra Moore, Kyle Moore, Aleyna Carsel, Siarah Flanagan, Hilary Dalton.





Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player that struts and frets his hour upon the stage and then is heard no more.

Macbeth, V, v.

Drama Club Officers: Tonya Yokley (President) (top right), Jennifer Deem (Fundraising) (top left), Alycia Arnold (Vice-President), Samantha Oakley (Secretary & Treasurer), Nick Summar (Student Council Representative); Mr. DeJaynes (Advisor).

Drama Club

The Drama Club of DeLand-Weldon High School is dedicated to the study and presentation of classic drama. Most members of the Drama Club have taken Survey of Drama, a class taught by Mr. DeJaynes, in which they have learned the elements of drama and what constitutes a good play.

In addition to the study and presentation of dramatic productions, the Drama Club holds fundraisers during the year. During 2003-04, the major fundraiser was a chili supper, which was held in the high school lobby.





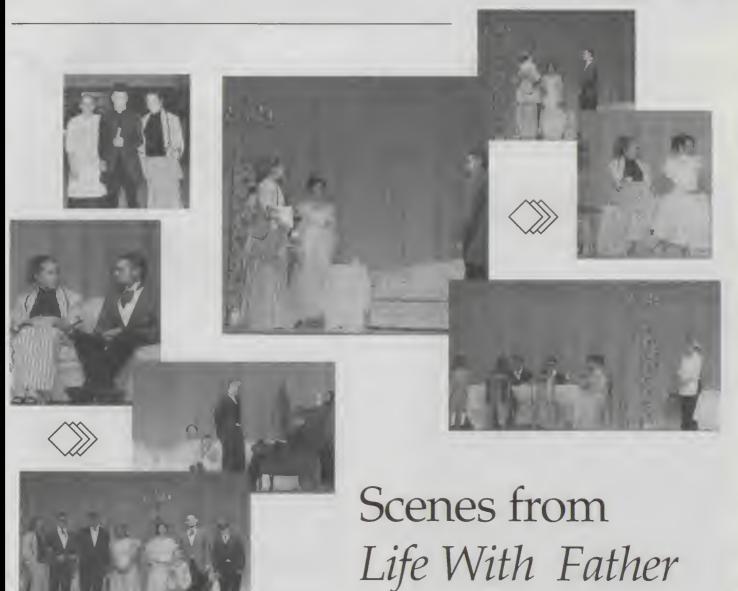
Life With Father

On Saturday, 20 March 2004, the Drama Club of DWHS presented the three-act comedy, *Life With Father*, based upon the Clarence Day Jr. book of the same name. The cast was made up of members of the Drama Club: Father (Chris Day), Mother [Vinnie] (Alycia Arnold), Clarence Jr. (Johnson Flanagan), John (Neil Jacobs). Whitney (Joey Bateman), Harlan (Hayden Fisher), Cousin Cora (Samantha Oakley), Mary Skinner (Jennifer Deem), The Rev. Dr. Lloyd (Kyle Moore), Margaret (Siarah Flanagan), Dr. Humphries (Nick Summar), Dr. Somers (Jon Thomas), Annie (Kendra Moore), Delia (Windy King), Maggie (Krista Reynolds), Nora (Hilary Dalton.

The play was directed by Mr. DeJaynes, Drama Club Advisor, assisted by Tonya Yokley (Student Director and President of the Drama Club). Stage Manager was Brandon Rost, who was assisted by Sam Lawrence. G. W. Mank was in charge of props.



Cast & Crew



Life Savers



Front Row: Miika Garret, Tonya Yokley, Mrs. Schilawski (sponsor), Sam Lawrence. Middle Row: Ashley Arnold, Cody Vinson, Chris Blanchard. Back Row: Neil Jacobs, Johnson Flanagan, Jarad Jones.



Officers: Johnson Flanagan, Chris Blanchard, Miika Garret, Tonya Yokley.

Directions.....always new.

Scholastic Bowl



Front Row: Aleyna Carsel, Siarah Flanagan, Kendra Moore, Mrs. Amdor

Back Row: Andy Mollet, Johnson Flanagan, Chris Blanchard, Kyle Moore.



Andy Mollet, Johnson Flanagan, Chris Blanchard, Kyle Moore

YEARBOOK CLUB





Yearbook Club Officers

Front: Mr. DeJaynes (Advisor); Alycia Arnold (Vice-President); Jennifer Deem (President); Samantha Oakley (Fundraising). Back: Zach Ramage (Student Council Rep); Brandon Rost (Treasurer); Nikki Bowman (Fundraising).



The Aerie

DeLand-Weldon High School's yearbook, *The Aerie*, is an ongoing process. The work begins before school starts for the academic year, and continues after school is out for the summer. Many people are involved in the Yearbook Club--from those who help gather information, to those who supply picures and help with layout of pages.

We begin serious work in the fall when we do our annual advertising sales. It is through this project that we pay for the majority of the yearbook. We are always grateful to area businesses for their support.

There is a great deal of responsibility for members of the Yearbook Club--especially the officers. We also rely on people to serve as writers, photographers, and liaisons.

Even though it is hard and serious work, it is rewarding when you see the finished product.

C L A S S





Kacy Carr



Breanne Elson



Kerianne Elson



Brittany Fisher



Keegan Followell



Craig Fry



Holden Huisinga



Neil Jacobs



Jarad Jones



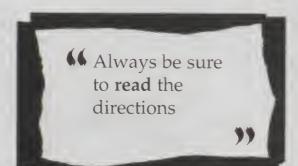
Kelly Mank



Brittany Rost



Eric Thrasher



Steven Warfel



Tyler Weaver



Sponsors: Mrs. Cruickshank & Mrs. Schlesinger



The Class of 2007 Front row (l-r): Holden Huisinga, Eric Thrasher, Tyler Weaver, Keegan Followell, Brittany Rost; Second Row: Steve Warfel, Jarad Jones, Breanne Elson, Kacy Carr, Kerianne Elson; Back Row: Neil Jacobs, Craig Fry, K.C. Cook, Brittany Fisher, Kelly Mank.





CLASS OFFICERS

Tyler Weaver (President); Neil Jacobs (Vice-President); Breanne Elson (Secretary); Brittany
Fisher (Treasurer); Kacy Carr (Student Council Representative).









After
you read the
directions...

you need
to
follow
them!



Ashley Arnold



Aleyna Carsel



Hilary Dalton



Siarah Flanagan



Miika Garrett





Windy King



Kendra Moore



Richie Randall



Class Officers: Richie Randall, Miika Garrett, Ashley Arnold, Siarah Flanagan, and Hilary Dalton.







SIGNS GIVE DIRECTIONS





Sponsors: Mrs. Bragg Mrs. Willis





















The Only Direction is UP!

ONE







Chris Blanchard



Matt Fisher



Johnson Flanagan



Jenny Ford



Keith Fry



Benny Ingersoll



Sam Lawrence 14 The Aerie



G. W. Mank



Kyle Moore



Nicole Neal



Krista Reynolds



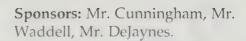
Brandon Rost



Nick Summar



Jon Thomas











C S S 0 F F C E

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Kyle Moore (President); Sam Lawrence (Treasurer); Krista Reynolds (Secretary); Johnson Flanagan (Vice-President).











Members of Chorus (above) and Band (right).

The notes provide direction.

The DeLand-Weldon Band & Chorus continue to bring their talents to the community.

BAND & CHORUS

In addition to the usual concerts, competitions, and day-to-day lessons and rehearsals, the big event for the Band and Chorus of DWHS was the New York Trip, April 13-18, 2004 (see page 48). Band and chorus members successfully completed numerous fundraisers to provide financing for the trip.

As well as school functions, the Band and Chorus also perform at various community events, sharing their talents in yet another way.

The Class of 2004





Class Officers: Jennifer Deem, Alycia Arnold, Chris Day, Melissa Neathery, and Tonya Yokley.

Alycia Kay Arnold
Nikki Fashon Bowman
Christopher Charles Day
Jennifer Kathleen Deem
Daniel Cody McDermith
Andrew Dean Mollet,
Matthew Kyle Mutty
Melissa Sue Neathery
Samantha Amber Oakley
Zachary Buzz Ryan Ramage
Lindsey Jill Strawn
Jodi Nicole Swingle
Cody Lawrence Vinson
Tonya Marie Yokley





"Stand up for what you believe in. If you don't, who will?"

Cheerleading: 1 (Secretary), 2 (Captain), 3 (Co-Captain), 4 (Captain); Basketball: 1,2,3,4 (Captain); Volleyball: 1,2,3,4 (Captain); Track: 1,2,3,4; Band: 1,2,3,4; Chorus: 1,2,3,4; Drama: 2,3,4 (Vice-President); Yearbook:, 1,2,3,4 (Vice-President); Lifesavers: 1,2; Homecoming Attendant: 1,4; National Honor Society: 3,4; Class Officer: 1 (Vice-President), 2 (Secretary), 3 (President); 4 (Treasurer); Student Council: 1,3,4; D.A.R.E. Role Model: 4.

Alycia Kay Arnold





"You have to want it more than you fear it."

Yearbook: 2,3,4; Class officer: 3 (Treasurer); Chorus: 1,2,3,4 (Vice-President); Lifesavers: 2; Drama: 4; Student Council: 4 (Vice-President).

Nikki Fashon Bowman



"I ain't done did nothin'."

Basketball: 1,2; Yearbook: 3,4; Drama: 3,4; Student Council Representative: 4; Homecoming Attendant: 2.





Christopher Charles Day

Basketball: 2,3; Yearbook: 4; Lifesavers: 2; Boxing: 3; Chorus: 3.



Daniel Cody McDermith



-SENIOR WILLS-

I, Zach Ramage, will the following:

To Krista--the ability to be happy and have everything go your way for just one day.

To Matt Mutty--the ability to know just why we were in the cemetery.

To Nick--the ability to tell Alycia how it is for a change, instead of her telling you. Enjoy your year of Freedom!

To Jon--the ability to gain weight as I do and become the new "official" hall moni-

tor.

To Mr. DeJaynes--the ability to be mean for a change--you're too nice.

To Alycia--the ability to realize "YOU ARE NOT," I repeat, "YOU ARE NOT" always in charge.

To Mr. C--the ability to realize that everything me and Doug did to you was out of

love.

To Mrs. Bragg--the ability to keep "story time" alive.

To Matt Fisher--my rims and the ability to stay out of the court news in the paper.

To everyone in high school--the ability to realize that it's not how smart you are, it's how you milk the system.

To Mr. Waddell--the ability to appreciate me and realize there will be no more like me.

I, Jennifer Deem, will the following:

To Mole Daddy--the ability to realize Alycia is the one for you.

To Jenny Ford--the ability to realize it's okay to be single for more than a week, the ability to go to school, and the ability to stop talking about yourself.

To Alycia Arnold--I will you the power to destroy all the magic cards.

To Lindsey Strawn--the ability to realize you are beautiful and a Ninja Turtle.

To Kendra Moore--the POWER OF CHEESE! Someday you will realize it's the greatest food that will ever enter a person's mouth.

To all the boys at DW--the ability to throw your magic cards away and get on with your lives.

To Aleyna Carsel--the ability to stay away from Amanda and the ability not to do bad things on week nights.

To Keith Fry--the ability to love all people.

To Jon Thomas--the ability not to steal my drink.

To Cody McD--I will you your favorite thing. May you never go without it.

To Matt Mutty--the ability to keep your horrible smells to yourself.

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To Zach Ramage--the ability to always "jump the bump." Also...see Nikki's will.

To Krista Reynolds--the ability to remember that opossum doesn't begin with a 'p".

To Jody Swingle--the ability to always find your pocket.

To Samantha Oakley--my Starburst wrappers and my ability to sound like an auctioneer.

To Nicole Neal--the ability to realize that Good Charlotte RULES!

To Johnson Flanagan--the ability to realize that Kyle and I are right about Filippo and the ability to realize that Chinese food is AWESOME!

To Tonya Yokley--my booty.

To Ashley Arnold--the ability to stop talking about going to the hospital. It gets old!

To Brittany Rost--the ability to realize you're a cutie and always will be, and the ability to realize that I don't hate you.

To Matt Fisher--a cheese stick and a bottle of Nair.

To Nikki Bowman--a lifetime supply of new underwear, the ability to go the rest of your life without asking your friends why they hate you, a small vanilla Coke, and a lifetime supply of onion rings.

To Kyle Moore--I will you...what I will you is not important. The important thing is you just wasted eight seconds of your life reading this and you will never get those seconds back. I love you, Buddy!

To Chris Day--may you always remember study hall.

To Melissa Neathery--the ability to realize that people who are not in sports are just as busy as athletes.

To Siarah Flanagan--the ability to realize it's called a salt "shaker," not a salt "stick".

To Kacy Carr--the ability not to leave me all alone at lunch.

I, Cody Vinson, will the following:

To Mr. C--the power to admit he's wrong.

To Cody McD--a pair of suspenders.

To Mr. Birge--the ability not to get stuck in a snow drift in his pyjamas.

To Kenny--the ability to keep calling everybody "Buddy" for years to come.

To Mrs. Willis--sanity.

To Kendra--her own car.

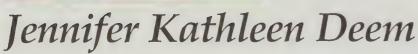


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"Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow. Don't walk behind me, I may not lead. Just walk beside me and be my friend."

Yearbook: 1,2,3,4 (President); Class Officer: 2 & 3 (Secretary); 4 (President); Drama: 4 (Fundraising Chairman); Boxing: 3; Chorus: 3,4.

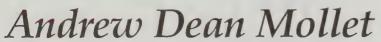






"Git 'er done!"

Yearbook: 4; Band: 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Bowl: 3,4.





"Become a fat kid and own it all!"

Yearbook: 4; Class Officer: 3 (Vice-President); Student Council: 1; Boxing: 2; Drama: 3,4.





Matthew Kyle Mutty

"Every experience God gives us, every person He puts in our lives, is the perfect preparation for our future that only He can see." (Corrie Ten Boom)

Basketball: 1,2,3,4; Cheerleading: 1,2,3,4; Volleyball: 1,2,3,4; Track: 1,3,4; National Honor Society: 2,3,4; Yearbook: 1,2,3,4; Band: 1,2,3,4; Chorus: 1,2,3,4; Homecoming Attendant: 3,4; Class Officer: 1&4 (Secretary), 2 (President).





Melissa Sue Neathery

I, Samantha Oakley, will the following:

To Hilary--a penguin.

To Siarah--my dinosaur costume and Fluffy McSquishy. May he be as great of a car riding buddy as I was.

To Kendra-duct tape. May it grant you some peace and quiet.

To Kyle--"Hooked on Phonics" and my optimism.

To Mrs. Amdor--the ability not to make poor defenseless school children go with the crazy, might-be serial killer train guy.

To the Scholastic Bowl Team--the ability to keep our clean record and continue

the nerd bowl song.

To Steve--the Quiznos zombie hamster things.

To Jarad--my bowling force.

To Mrs. Schilawski--Ritalin.

I, Tonya Yokley, will the following:

To Brittany Rost--my organizational skills, my cooking skills, my gracefulness with guys, and the ability to make it the next three years without your Big Sister.

To Kerianne Elson (twin 1)--unlimited gift cards to Walmart and all my cowboy

booties.

To Holden--the ability to break-up with a girl with a little more heart.

To Kacey Carr--Breakfast at Tiffany's.

To Freshman Guys--realize that you are all in love with me (especially you, Keegan).

To Nick Summar--cut the leash. This is your year to be free, Buddy!

To Sam Lawrence--the ability to call when you say you are going to, a lifetime supply of boxer briefs, the ability to realize that I do NOT have a Monticello boyfriend, and finally someone new to kiss in the hall when no one is looking.

To Johnson--a chair to sit in.

To Krista Reynolds--my promptness, my dieting tactics, turn signals labeled left and right, the ability to take someone new "under your wing" and watch them turn into a beautiful person and an amazing friend, and finally, Jim. May he live on FOR-EVER!

To Brandon Rost--one free pass to Lava so you can learn how to dance, a better form of self-defense, and always to remember who your girlfriend has been the past nine years.

To Matt Fisher--always remember the good times, the walks home, me cooking potatoes, and you being my little brother. Have the courage and the decency to tell me to my face that you don't like me any more, and one more thing: remember "I didn't do it." It seems to come in handy a lot more these days.

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To Keith and Craig Fry--name tags.

To Jon Carter/Thomas--friends, since neither of us has any...and someone else who is short to use as an armrest.

To the geometry class of 2001-02--remember there will always be thirty seconds left.

To Mr. Waddell--a Thanksgiving dinner...on me, since I missed yours.

To Mr. Cunningham--someone else's beautiful eyes to look into each day.

To Mr. Birge--may you always be Bom Tirge.

To Mr. DeJaynes--the memories of DPS, and always to be "The Duke of Earl."

To anyone I left out--GIT-R-DONE! You know you will all miss us.

To the Class of 2004--"O HAPPY DAY"

I, Nikki Bowman, will the following:

To Brittany Rost--the ability to realize that she is a HOT MAMA! (And next time, don't let me hit my head on the windshield.)

To Jenny Ford--a fasion sense.

To Shorty--the ability to stay away.

To Steve Warfel--the ability to be nice.

To Jonny Carter--the privilege of walking me home.

To Chrissy-Poo--the ability to lose that rude guy that's always following you.

To Jennyfer Deem--the ability to continue the legacy of the "peoms."

To Alycia Arnold--the ability to lose the massive chin fat.

To Mole Daddy--the realization that Alycia is the one for you.

To Lindsey Strawn--the ability to pass on your safety knowledge.

To Jarad Jones--the ability to stop making that face!

To Mr. Cunningham--the realization that you are not as GQ as you think.

To Matt Fisher--two words: golf club.

To Matt Mutty--the ability to be forever in touch with your inner blackness.

I, Melissa Neathery, will the following:

To Ashley Arnold--the ability to make it through the rest of high school without me.

To Matt Fisher--"I didn't do it!"

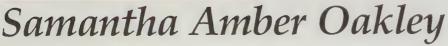
To Mr. Cunningham--I am the best look-out, EVER!





"Don't judge someone by their opinion, but by what their opinion has made them."

Yearbook: 1,2,3,4; Chorus: 1,2,3,4; Scholastic Bowl: 4; Lifesavers: 2; Drama: 3,4 (Best Actress Award).







"It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are." (e.e. cummings)

Basketball: 1,2,3,4; Baseball: 1,2,4; Chorus: 2,3,4; Yearbook: 1,2,3,4; Student Council: 1,2,3,4; Class President: 1; Homecoming Attendant: 1,3,4.

Zachary Buzz Ryan Ramage



Yearbook: 3,4; Volleyball: 3; Public Relations: 3; Governor: 4; FFA: 1,2; FHA: 1,2.





Lindsey Jill Strawn

Chorus: 3,4; Yearbook: 3,4.



Jodi Nicole Swingle



I, Andy Mollet, will the following:

To Neil--the power not to join in the freshman brigade.

To Jon--the ability to say "chunky monkey" whenever he wants.

To Craig--the power not to join in the freshman bridage, the power to keep up the Rebel Pride, and his dream date with Oprah.

To Keith--the power to keep up the Rebel Pride.

To Mr. DeJaynes--whatever he wants because he is a great teacher.

To Johnson--the ability to make it out of the mob.

To Cody McD--a belt.

To the Class of '05--the ability to be able to enjoy your Senior Year.

To G.W.--the ability not to each so much KFC, the ability to not get caught with pop, and the ability not to get injured in PE.

To Matt F.--a new car, and the ability not to get your spinners stolen.

To Tonya--the ability to Git-R-Done and protection from Lucifer.

To Windy--the ability to keep G.W. in his place.

To Chris Day--his dream vehicle.

To Alycia--to wear matching clothes.

To Kendra--the ability to drive Kyle's car whenever she wants.

I, Jodi Swingle, will the following:

To Kendra--a ticket to Manhattan to meet Kermit the Frog.

To Windy--to wear her jeans without skirts over them.

To Nicole--a lifetime supply of hair dye and earrings.

To Kyle--a year without a computer.

To Kacy--a lifetime supply of bandanas and a Hooters t-shirt.

To Jennifer--all my high-fives.

To Mr. Arenas--to stay a good listener and someone to take his advice.

To Mr. DeJaynes--someone to show him some gratitude and not take advantage of him.

To Mr. Cunningham--the first hour American Problems class to have pop and naps.

To Mr. Waddell--to allow his classes out on time.

To Cody McD--a lifetime supply of green grass.

I, Alycia Arnold, will the following:

To Shorty--the ability to break the family tradition. Stop sucking up!

To Mole Daddy--the ability to realize that YOU want ME.

To Nikki Bowman--the ability to take your own advice and, Nick...after I die.

To Matt Fisher--the ability to never forget balls and blankets.

To Sam Lawrence--someone else to irritate and an endless supply of boxer briefs.

To Jonny Carter--the ability to realize that I'll mess up your hair so bad your momma won't even recognize you! I love ya, kid!

To Krista--Brandon Rost. Need I say more?

To Brittany Rost--the ability to realize that you are a flyer.

To Tonya--a boyfriend Ayla doesn't want.

To Chris Day--the ability to bring Zach down with you when he tattles on you for something he also did.

To Benny Ingersoll--the ability to keep a car longer than one month.

To Brandon Rost--the ability to realize that everything Zach has ever said about us is true, a job a Texas Roadhouse.

To Kyle Moore--TV Night.

To Matt Mutty--the ability to take me seriously.

To Cody McD--a camel to ride to school.

To Nick Summar--the inner strength to let Magic DIE!

To Breanne and Kerianne--Please...just go by Anne!

To Zach Ramage--the ability to answer your own questions...and a conscience.

To Lindsey Strawn--my boots. I know you love them.

To Jennifer Deem--the ability to think "outside the box."

To Johnson--the ability to realize that deep down you like me...you REALLY like me.

To Mr. Waddell--another calculus student like me with an uncontrollable lust for learning.

To Miss Jeans--the ability to realize...we're DUM!

To Melissa--a new boyfriend.

To Neil Jacobs--the ultimate sleepover! (wink, wink)

I, Chris Day, will the following:

To Brandon--my goatee.

To Jon Thomas--the third stall.

To Matt Mutty--my soul pooch.

To Aleyna Carsel--the ability to be quiet because no one cares.

To Alycia Arnold--a whole lot of matching socks.

To Nikki Bowman--the ability to always have someone to talk to.

To Andy Mollet-- 4 big mud tires, 3 shotgun shells, 2 hunting dogs, and some parts to a Mustang GT.

To Krista Reynolds--the ability to torment Mr. C every day.

To Zach Ramage--to get in trouble on his own...for a change.

To Tonya--a robot to brush her hair every morning.

To Keith Fry--a razor.

To Lindsey Strawn--a driver's license.

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Basketball: 1,2,4; High School Rodeo: 4; Homecoming King: 4; Yearbook: 1; Lifesavers: 4.

Cody Lawrence Vinson

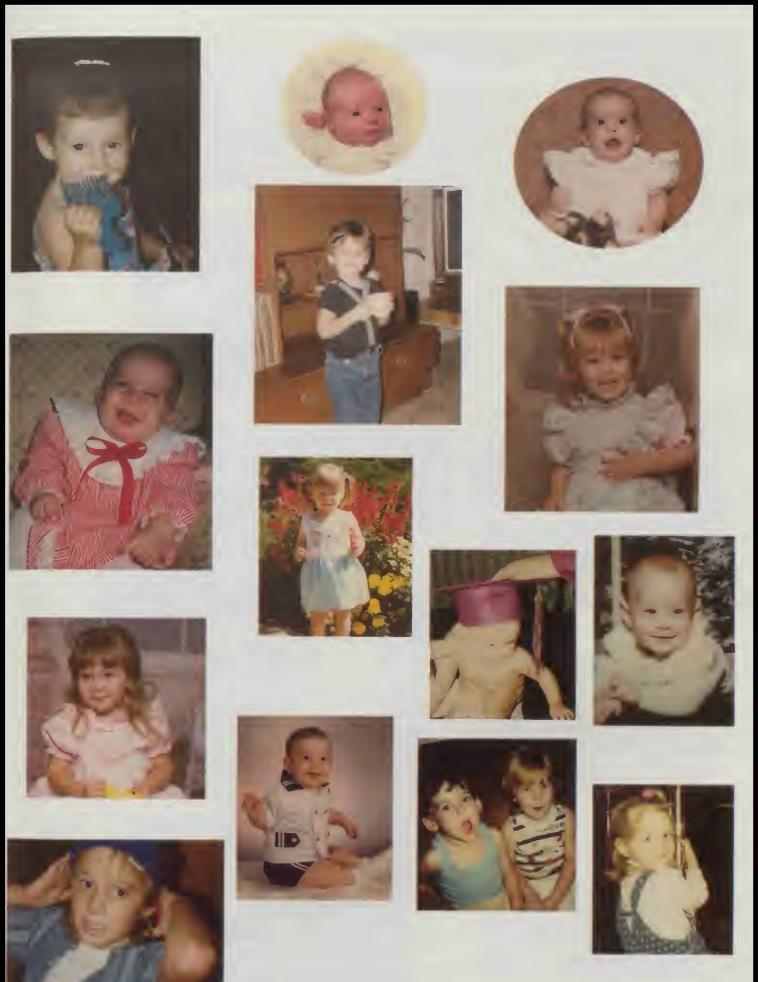




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Tonya Marie Yokley





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To Steve Warfel--the first stall. "Use it well, son."

To Matt Fisher--real rims.

To Sam Lawrence--the yellow rope in my P.E. locker.

To Johnson--the ability to realize Filippo is an evil mob boss.

To Nick Summar--the privilege to be late to pre-cal every day.

To Cody Vinson--a big bull so you can practice for the rodeo.

To Jennier Deem--a big block of cheese.

To Mr. C.--the ability to realize that I didn't do it.

To Aramark Employees--the ability to make enough food.

To G.W.--the ability to roam the halls and not get caught.

I, Matt Mutty, will the following:

To Nick--the ability to always flush your toilet...you know what I mean!

To Alycia--the ability to know that I will seriously burn Nick's leash while you're gone...so all the jokes about it will end.

To Nikki--the ability to be the fashion expert for my inner blackness.

To Zach--the abilty to tell me why we're driving through the cemetery.

To Krista--the ability not to be so overly-Caucasian on the dance floor.

To Chris--the ability to realize that it's not my day...is it??....is it??

To Benny--one word: "GOOOOOOOOOOO"

To Sam--Natalie Portman.

To Jennifer--the ability to own all the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle memorabilia in the world because it's "total turtle vision."

To G.W.--the ability not to hate Canadians.

To the Fry boys--the ability to realize that not everything is Nappy.







H O M E C O M N G







Cody VInson & Tonya Yokley were crowned King and Queen of the Homecoming.

















National Honor Society



Family and friends gathered for refreshments following the induction ceremony.





Siarah Flanagan and Kendra Moore (both sophomores) were inducted into the National Honor Society at DeLand-Weldon High School on Tuesday, 27 April 2004.



National Honor Society Mambers: (from left) Melissa Neathery, Siarah Flanagan, Johnson Flanagan, Kyle Moore, Kendra Moore, and Alycia Arnold.

Directions: Study hard, complete your work, and take your life as a student seriously.

Congratulations to Kendra & Siarah



Life at DWHS

















Prom 2004



Their Royal Majesties: Queen Jennifer Deem and King Matt Mutty.







Kyle Moore enjoys a rare moment with Her Royal Highness, Queen Jennifer.





The 2004 DWHS Prom was held at the Farmer City Country Club on Saturday, 1 May 2004, hosted by the Junior Class.

During the evening, Jennifer Deem and Matt Mutty were named Royalty for the evening.



S t u d e n t

C o u n c i



Student Council Members: Front row: Chris Blanchard, Brandon Rost, Zach Ramage, Mrs.
Schilawski, Richie Randall; Second row: Tonya Yokley, Chris Day, Krista Reynolds, Nikki Bowman, Miika Garrett, Siarah Flanagan; Back row: Johnson Flanagan, Nick Summar, Alycia Arnold, Neil Jacobs, Kacy Carr.

The Annual Cookout

Friday, 7 May 2004













SPIRIT WEEK

January 26-30, 2004



Mr. Cunningham auctions off the Friends-for-a-Day



Looks like Chris has done this



Some of those targets should not be too hard to hit!



"Friends" get escorted down the hallway.

A group of Friends pose for a "family picture."



This is a good way to get "initiated," Senora Cruickshank!





What a lovely couple!



Basketball at DW-HS







Clear directions are essential for sports...







Annual Appreciation Lunch











The Annual Appreciation Lunch for basketball players was held in the Home Ec room and was prepared by the mothers and cheerleaders. Basketball players were treated to spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, and dessert.

More Life at DWHS























Rodeo







Cody, left, with his horse. Above and right are shots of Cody participating in Rodeo Competition.



Cody Vinson, DW-HS Senior and long-time rodeo enthusiast, was the only participant in the IHSA-sanctioned sport of Rodeo. Cody placed second in State Competition and qualified to attend National Finals in Wymoing in July

Cheerleading





The DW-HS Cheerleaders can always be counted upon to encourage the basketball team and keep the crowds going. They are probably not appreciated as much as they should be. Pictured above: Ashley Arnold, Hilary Dalton, Melissa Neathery, Brittany Rost, and Alycia Arnold, the 2003-04 DW-HS Cheerleaders.

Football & Baseball

For the 2003-2004 school year, DeLand-Weldon again co-oped with the Cerro Gordo football team.

DWHS students playing for Cerro Gordo were: Benny Ingersoll, Jarad Jones, Sam Lawrence, and Brandon Rost.



Brandon Rost (in black) goes for the tackle.

Track



Members of the DWHS Track Teams pose with Mr. Waddell at the Awards Day Ceremony. From left: Neil Jacobs, Craig Fry, Nick Summar, Mr. Waddell, Melissa Neathery, and Alycia Arnold.



DeLand-Weldon football players: Jarad Jones (front); Brandon Rost, Benny Ingersoll, and Sam Lawrence (back).

BASEBALL

Our two baseball students, Zach Ramage and Brandon Rost, played this year for Blue Ridge, as part of the Co-op agreement with the Blue Ridge School District.

Unfortunately we did not receive any pictures of the baseball team. We do, however, congratulate our players and applaud their efforts.



Eagles rule!

Directions: Exit Stage Left...



Seniors prepare for the graduation ceremony as they pose for pictures of their last moments as "students."

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Volleyball

The 2003-2004 Volleyball Team

Front row: Coach Harris, Aleyna Carsel, Alycia Arnold, Kacy Carr, Melissa Neathery, Beth Benskin, and Kelly Mank. Back row: Brittany Rost, Tonya Yokley, Krista Reynolds, and Ashley Arnold.





Winners of the Eagle Classic





The three seniors on the team: Melissa Neathery, Tonya Yokley, and Alycia Arnold.





The team gets instructions from the Coach.

New York, Here We Come

Members of Band & Chorus, chaperones, and teachers left on Tuesday, 13 April 2004, for the "Big Apple." They returned home on Sunday, 18 April, after several days of working, sightseeing, and fun.



















You HAVE to follow directions when you are alone in a new place!

SENIOR TRIP HIGHLIGHTS



The Seniors of 2004 enjoyed a trip to the Cincinnatti, Ohio area May 14-16, 2004. The trip included a carnival and the zoo.



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To the Class of '04 ('05, '06, et al)

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Congratulations Class of 2004 Mr. & Mrs. Tom Birge

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Awards Day 2004







Mrs. Schlesinger gives awards to Band & Chorus students.



Mr. Waddell presents track awards to: Neil Jacobs, Craig Fry, Nick Summar, Melissa Neathery, and Alycia Arnold.

Mrs. Schilawski presents awards to...



Alycia Arnold (left); Brandon Rost & Melissa Neathery (bottom left); and Tonya Yokley (Student Council President (bottom right).





Mr. Brashear presents awards to: Melissa Neathery, Alycia Arnold, Kyle Moore, and Johnson Flanagan.



Mr. DeJaynes
presented
Drama Awards
to: Kendra
Moore, Kyle
Moore,
Samantha
Oakley, and
Johnson
Flanagan for
their roles in
Life With Father.



Mr. Arenas presents awards to: Brittany Rost, Tyler Weaver, Nicole Neal, Craig Fry, Brittany Fisher, and Breanne Elson.

Graduation 2004



The Graduating Class of 2004

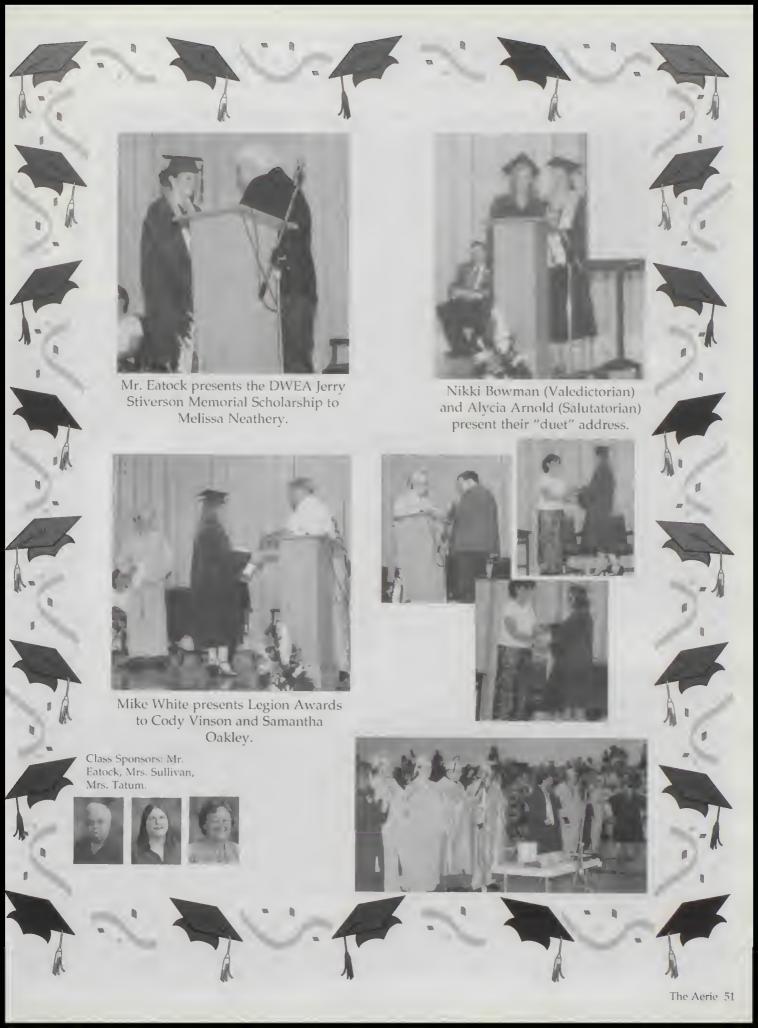
Front Row: Samantha Oakley, Jodi Swingle, Tonya Yokley, Melissa Neathery, Alycia Arnold, Nikki Bowman, Lindsey Strawn, and Jennifer Deem. Back Row: Cody Vinson, Chris Day, Zach Ramage, Andy Mollet, Matt Mutty, and Cody McDermith.

On Saturday, 29 May 2004, fourteen seniors said farewell to DeLand-Weldon High School. The gymnasium was packed with parents, grandparents, relatives, friends, teachers, and fellow students, who had come to share this long-awaited moment with them.





Mr. DeJaynes addresses the Class of 2004, who requested that he be speaker for the ceremony. During his address he said: "The teaching here has come to an end, but I hope and pray that the learning has not. I believe that for you it has not--and will not. I trust your ability. And I trust your resolve to become even stronger and better men and women than you are today. You will take a little bit of all of us here when you leave today, and you will leave a little bit of yourselves with us. For that I am grateful because you have been such a big part of *my* life. I trust that you will remember *some* of what I taught you, and *all* of what I have hoped for you...and I hope that you will remember always that I love you guys and I believe in you!"



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Directions are everywhere! Some tell us "how" to do something. Others tell us "where" to go and "how" to get there. Some directions tell us *not* to go somewhere, or *not* to do something. No matter where we are, there are directions of some kind.

We can choose to follow them... or we can ignore them. Either way, the decision is ours.

Directions are usually for our own wellbeing. They are often the result of someone else's errors or bad judgment--lessons they have learned



Sometimes I fly like an eagle....

Here are some directions that can benefit everyone:

Do your best...
Think of others...
Plan ahead...
Speak kindly...
Work your hardest...
Fly like an eagle!



The best Direction of all!

To the Class of 2004:

You were given a great many directions when you were in school. Most times you followed them; sometimes you didn't. But you learned from every decision you made. Some of those lessons were hard and painful. As you continue to learn and mature, those lessons will become directions for others! Always remember that!

Mr. DeJaynes















